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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re:

Order Approving Joint Dispatch Agreement – Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Progress Energy

Carolinas, Inc. Request for Extension

Docket No.: 2011-158-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

This letter is to inform the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the above-referenced matter filed by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") and Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. ("PEC") on September 28, 2012. In Commission Order No. 2012-517 approving the Joint Dispatch Agreement, one of the requirements was that DEC, PEC and ORS work with other interested parties to propose, within ninety (90) days after the close of the merger, a Commission rulemaking to standardize the indices used to measure and report electric utility service quality.

DEC and PEC have requested an additional thirty (30) days to evaluate whether there are distinct differences between the indices used to measure and report electric utility service quality in South Carolina. ORS agrees with this request for extension and the proposed filing date would now be November 5, 2012.

Respectfully yours,

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All Parties of Record